THE ARCTIC - GREENLAND TO ICELAND: ARCTIC EXPLORER | OCEAN VICTORY



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ACPLGIAE
DEPARTURE
09/07/2027
DURATION
12 Days
LOCATIONS
Iceland & Greenland

INTRODUCTION

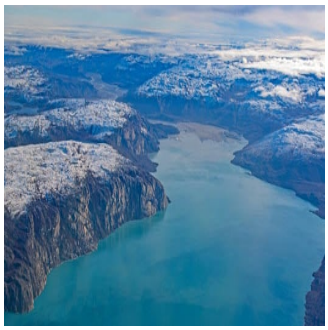
This expedition itinerary follows a classic route from West to East Greenland, offering a clear look at the country's communities, landscapes and cultural history. Connected to both Inuit and Norse heritage with visits to small settlements, meet local residents and observe daily life in places such as Kangaamiut, Nuuk and Tasiilaq to gain local perspectives. With a mix of Zodiac cruising through stunning fjords and time ashore for guided walks through archaeological sites and meaningful cultural interactions make this journey really come to life.

Sailing days highlight Greenland's varied coastlines, from the fjords of the south such as Prins Christians Sund to the glacierâ□□filled waterways of the east. You may witness calving ice, marine wildlife and shifting Arctic weather conditions from the ship or during Zodiac outings which provide excellent opportunities for photography. The voyage ends with a crossing of the Denmark Strait before arriving in Reykjavik, Iceland.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: Embarkation in Kangerlussuaq

On day one, we arrive in Kangerlussuaq, Greenland’s only inland town and a key air hub with a rich Cold War history. Upon arrival, we transfer by Zodiac to the Ocean Victory, settle into our cabins, complete a safety drill, and then toast with champagne as we begin our journey through the stunning Kangerlussuaq fjord.



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DAY 2: Kangaamiut and Evighedsfjorden

On the first full day of our voyage, we arrive in Kangaamiut, a village where traditional hunting, fishing, and weather shape daily life. Guests can hike for panoramic views, and enjoy a warm cultural welcome with local crafts, food, and performance. In the afternoon, we venture into 'The Eternity Fjord' (Evighedsfjorden) by Zodiac, cruising past majestic glaciers and dramatic bird cliffs, a thrilling and unforgettable start to our Arctic voyage.



DAY 3: Nuuk

Home to 20,000 residents, Nuuk, Greenland's capital, offers culture, history, and stunning natural beauty. Inhabited since 2200 B.C. by Paleo-Inuit and later by Norse settlers, Nuuk is now Greenland's cultural and political center, featuring the Parliament, National Museum (home of the spellbinding Qilakitsoq mummies), Katuaq cultural center, local art workshops, and cozy cafés. Affectionately known as "Nuuk York" by locals, it stands as a singular blend of the ancient and the contemporary.



DAY 4: At Sea

From Nuuk, we sail southward along Greenland's rugged coast. Nearly all of Greenland's settlements lie on the western coast, facing the Davis Strait. Warm Atlantic currents enrich these waters, attracting whales, seals, human hunters, and many seabirds so keep an eye out during our day at sea!



DAY 5: Qassiarsuk and Itilleq

Next, we cruise through Tunulliarfik Fjord to Qassiarsuk, a lush village known for sheep farming and its rich Norse history. Founded in 1924, the modern village sits on the site of Erik the Red's 10th-century farm, Brattahlíð. Legend has it that his wife Thjodhild refused to join her pagan husband's bed until he built her a church, the first in the Americas. In the afternoon, we hike from nearby Itilleq through lush green fields to Igaliku and the ruins of Garðar bishopric, the seat of Norse Greenlandic power.



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DAY 6: Appilaattoq and Prins Christian Sund

In the morning, we reach Aappilattoq, a small, remote village beneath granite cliffs, known for its traditional lifestyle, scenic hiking, and famous local choir. In the afternoon we continue eastwards as we sail through spectacular Prins Christian Sund, a 60 km iceberg-filled strait linking East and West Greenland. Surrounded by mountains, glaciers, and valleys, it's one of the world's most spectacular waterways.



DAY 7: Skjoldungen & Saqqisikuik

Today, we explore Skjoldungen, a stunning fjord on Greenland's southeast coast, known to locals as Saqqisikuik. Once visited by Inuit and briefly settled in the 20th century, it is now remote and uninhabited. Surrounded by breath-taking peaks, highlights include Thryms Glacier and the valley of Dronning Marie Dal. Weather permitting, we may land to explore ashore or Zodiac cruise by the majestic glacier.



DAY 8: Sermilikfjord

Our next stop is the breathtaking Sermilikfjord, a vast ice-choked fjord which drains the colossal Helheim Glacier. Armadas of towering icebergs drift from the Greenland Ice Sheet out into the North Atlantic, creating one of the most spectacular natural sights on Earth. Join your Expedition Team on a Zodiac cruise and marvel at the gigantic icebergs, natural ice sculptures tens of thousands of years in the making!



DAY 9: Ikateq and Kuummiit

During the morning, we approach Ikateq, also known as Bluie Two East, a haunting remnant of the American military presence on Greenland during the Second World War. Marvel at the remains of this vital airbase, untouched since it was abandoned in 1947. In the afternoon we reposition to Kuummiit, a small village deep in the calm waters of Ammassalik Fjord. Here we will have a chance to connect with the friendly locals and experience East Greenlandic culture in one of country's most beautiful and welcoming villages.



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DAY 10: Tasiilaq, East Greenland

Tasiilaq is East Greenland's largest settlement, sitting on rugged Ammassalik Island. Isolated from European contact until its founding as a trading post in 1894, it preserves the unique culture of the Tunumiit people. Once home to Greenland's last shamans, Tasiilaq is the origin of the tupilak, a feared magical creature, now a celebrated art form. Visitors can meet sled dogs (with owners' permission), experience drum dancing, hike tundra meadows, and visit the famous Stunk Artist's Workshop.



DAY 11: At sea across the Denmark strait

The Denmark Strait, a narrow passage between Iceland and Greenland, teems with rich marine life. Join your Expedition Team on the outer decks to watch for wildlife. Departing Greenland, the team shares insights on ecology, geology, and wildlife, as well as toasting the end of our Arctic adventure at the Captain's Farewell Cocktail Party. Cheers!



DAY 12: Disembarkation in Reykjavik

Hallgrímskirkja Church towers over Reykjavik, a vibrant city known for Nordic cuisine, unique museums, and excellent shopping. Such a bustling capital may feel strange after the remote wilderness of the Arctic! After a hearty breakfast, it is time to bid a fond farewell to the Crew and Expedition Team, and descend the gangway back to dry land with memories of the voyage of a lifetime. *Please note: Cruise itinerary is subject to change depending on weather conditions, ice conditions and other factors.



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Accommodation	Cabin on board a ship

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Inclusions

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Accommodation onboard the Ocean Victory in booked cabin category
All meals on the ship (full board): breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks
"Welcome" and "Farewell" cocktail parties
Complimentary house wine, beer, and soft drinks at dinner (selected labels and brands)24-hour access to tea, coffee, and 'Grab and Go' comfort food
500MB WiFi card for use on your personal devices
Expedition Parka, yours to keep
Rubber style muck boots, on loan for the duration of your expedition
English-speaking Expedition Team
Briefings and educational lectures by the Expedition Team
All scheduled landings and excursions
Citizen Science program
Photography Coach available throughout the voyage
Participation in the Polar Plunge
Access to onboard medical clinics
Access to onboard fitness centres
All port taxes and landing fees
Digital Expedition Memento, including a curated selection of photos, videos, expedition log and map, and wildlife list
INCLUDED ON BALCONY SUITE (B) AND ABOVE
Wine and fruit on arrival
In-room mini-bar refilled once daily with non-alcoholic beverages
Complimentary laundry service
In-room espresso machine

EXCLUSIONS

Mandatory Transfer Package: Flight from Copenhagen to Kangerlussaq, and Group Transfer from Kangerlussaq Airport to the ship, **at extra cost of USD$650 per person**
International or internal flights other than specified
Airport transfers, taxes and excess baggage charges unless specified
Meals other than those specified in the pre-departure information
Pre or post cruise travel expenses other than specified
Visa (if applicable) and passport fees
Travel insurance (compulsory)
Fuel surcharge may be applied to all bookings
Paid adventure options and all personal expenses
Tobacco, or selected premium beverages
Miscellaneous extras
Laundry and communication charges on board, except as listed in inclusions
Gratuities for Expedition team and crew
For minors under 16 years of age at time of travel; life jackets, waterproof outer shell jacket, and boots
For guests who require larger sizing; Waterproof outer shell jacket and rubber boots

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Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)
Single Surcharge	Available upon request, a supplement surcharge applies and is subject to availability. Please Contact Us for more information.
Notes	**Mandatory Transfer Package:** Flight from Copenhagen to Kangerlussaq, and Group Transfer from Kangerlussaq Airport to the ship, **at extra cost of USD$650 per person.** No discounts or promotions apply to mandatory charter flights. Prices are based on per person, and may be based on triple or twin share. Prices are correct at time of publishing but are subject to change at any time. Itinerary is subject to change depending on weather and ice conditions. In rare and unforeseen situations, an operator may apply a fuel surcharge after your booking has been confirmed and paid. This is outside our control and uncommon, but transparency with our travelers is important to us.
Price Dependent upon	Departure Date, Fuel Surcharges, Cabin Category, Currency Fluctuations, Seasonality & Availability.

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SUSTAINABILITY

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